



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Application No. 10/007,189

Date: May 10, 2002

Filed: November 8 2001

For: Rivet Removing Tool

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED APRIL 15, 2002

This office action is a "NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY" to the office action mailed January 15, 2002 to which applicant's attorney replied on March 13, correcting what was thought to be all of the objections. However, mistakenly overlooked was an objection that the claims did not commence on a separate sheet. Thus, original page 6 included 13 lines of the last page of the specification and the first 19 lines of claim 1.

In fairness to applicant, he should have been given one month to correct this minor problem without being penalized \$200 for being two months late in supplying new claim pages, which are enclosed as replacement pages 7 and 8.

Accordingly, applicant requests that original page nos. 6-8 be replaced by new page 6 which contains only the 13 last lines of the specification and pages 7 and 8 which only contains the claims 1-7. Also enclosed is a check for \$200 in payment for a requested two month extension from March 15 to May 15 to correct for the technical omission to start claims on a separate sheet.

While it is questionable that the PTO will liberally interpret the rules by amending the April 15 notice to include a 30 day extension without penalty to submit the enclosed pages, such an amendment is hereby requested. If the request is granted, then applicant's attorney asks for a refund of the enclosed \$200.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date of Deposit- I hereby certify that the above response, the enclosed replacement pages 6-8, and check in the amount of \$200 is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail to Addressee" on May 10, 2002, with Express Mail No. E 03447002 and addressed to the Assistance Commissioner for Patents, 505 Washington D.C. 20231